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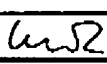
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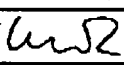
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REPLY

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed 11 December 2006, the Applicant hereby requests that the following remarks be considered :

Claim 1 stands rejected under 35 USC 102(b) as being anticipated by Le (US 4,728,969). With respect, the Applicant disagrees. Present claim 1 includes the limitation that the printhead provides a surface facing in a print expulsion direction. The Examiner has correctly identified that the surface on which nozzle 24 is disposed provides the surface defined in the claim. As depicted in Figure 1 of Le, the surface faces to the right. Present claim 1 further defines the limitation of one or more conduits for directing air from the air inlet onto the surface. With respect, the Applicant contends that this feature is not found in Le which shows that air is directed through air inlet 51, air chamber 50 and outward through ink jet orifice 24. Air is therefore directed away from the defined surface whereas the present claim requires that the air is directed onto the surface.

Present claim 1 defines a printer cartridge that is adapted to be removably received in an inkjet printer. The printer cartridge is defined as including a print fluid storage as a distinct component to the printhead. With respect, Le appears to be describing the "unit cell" of a printhead, the unit cell including the actuator arrangement provided by the piezoelectric crystal 44 and membrane 43. That is, the entire unit 10, including ink chamber 14, air inlet 51 etc provides the printhead defined in claim 1. Thus, Le does not describe a distinct printer fluid storage that is in communication with the printhead. Le does not describe that the printhead 10 is part of a cartridge that can be removed from an inkjet printer.

In light of the above distinctions, the Applicant contends that claim 1 and its dependent claims are not anticipated by Le.